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The Equine Rehabilitation Certificate Program (C.E.R.P.)

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The certificate program in equine rehabilitation is a sequence of postgraduate courses for veterinarians, physical therapists, physical therapist assistants and veterinary technicians or students of these professions, case studies and a cumulative examination. The courses are designed to guide the practitioner from the theoretical foundations to the clinical applications of equine rehabilitation.

Our mission is to promote the art and science of equine rehabilitation, this will be achieved by:

- Educating professions in the principles and practical application of equine rehabilitation
- Promoting and support research that will advance the knowledge, skill and treatment of equine rehabilitation
- Making the benefits of equine rehabilitation known to the veterinary, physical therapy and related professions

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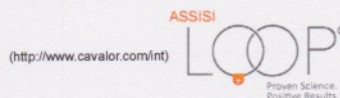
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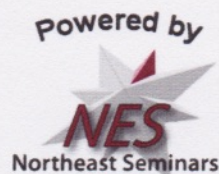
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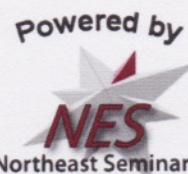


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- Individuals must have demonstrated equine handling abilities and are required to sign a statement to that effect.

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Number of Hours of CE:

Veterinarians: 52 hours

Veterinary Technicians: 52 hours

Outline

Description of Module I Online lectures: (53 hours of content)

This course provides an introduction to equine rehabilitation and therapeutic modalities. Participant will review the regulatory issues involved in this field of practice from the perspective of physical therapists and veterinarians. Basic equine anatomy, gait analysis, conformation, lameness evaluation and neurologic examination will be reviewed. Collaboration between the veterinary and physical therapy professions will be emphasized to enhance the learning experience.

The participant will be introduced to the use of selected physical agent modalities used in equine physical rehabilitation. The following physical agents will be covered: superficial heating and cooling agents, manual therapies, electrical therapies (for example: electrical stimulation), mechanical therapies (for example: therapeutic ultrasound, shock wave therapy), therapeutic exercise, pain relief and external coaptation.

The participant will acquire basic knowledge of the conditions of equine tendons and ligaments, equine bones and joints, and the equine nervous system, muscles, skin and hooves that are amenable to physical therapy. Response to injury and healing will be reviewed as well as selection of appropriate therapeutic modality.

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provide the participant will the skills necessary to design and implement a comprehensive rehabilitation program for commonly seen musculoskeletal, integumentary and neurologic conditions in the horse. A case study approach will be utilized teaming students from different professions together during this course to design and implement the rehabilitation programs.

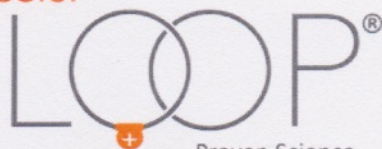
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Number of Hours of CE:

Veterinarians: 48 hours

Veterinary Technicians: 48 hours

Outline

Description of Module II Hands-on Labs: (48 hours of content)

Provides hands on laboratory coursework that will build on the course material from Equine I lectures. This course will provide the participant with the basic skills necessary to prescribe and provide rehabilitation programs for the equine patient. A full day of anatomical dissection on equine cadavers will be utilized to emphasize clinically relevant structures. The participant will receive hands on training of selected physical agent modalities used in equine physical rehabilitation. The following physical agents will be covered: superficial heating and cooling agents (including cold salt water hydrotherapy), manual therapies, electrical therapies (for example: electrical stimulation, therapeutic laser), mechanical therapies (for example: therapeutic ultrasound, shock wave therapy, total body vibration) and therapeutic exercise (including EquiCore System, Underwater Treadmill)

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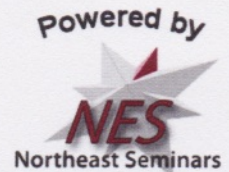
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After successful completion of Equine I & II online lectures and live lab sessions, students will be eligible for Equine III, Final Examination and Case Presentations.

Examinations will be administered online. Participants must prepare a written report, for submission, of two clinical equine rehabilitation cases that have required rehabilitation prior to taking the examination. Participants will be given the format for the written submission during Equine I & II lab sessions. Current students must successfully complete their degree program before sitting for the final exam.

Learning Objectives: (after completion of all Modules)

- Understand the regulatory issues surrounding the practice of animal rehabilitation
- Describe basic anatomical differences between the human and the horse.
- Determine basic gaits of the horse and recognize equine lameness
- Understand basic equine conformation
- Understand the equine neurologic examination
- Utilize a Team Approach in equine examination
- Be familiar with the different therapeutic modalities available to the equine patient
- Know the mechanism of action, application and efficacy of each modality
- Discuss possible outcome measures to determine the effectiveness of the selected therapeutic modality
- Demonstrate knowledge of the potential benefits of various emerging modalities in equine rehabilitation
- Be familiar with the cause and medical or surgical therapy for conditions of equine tendons and ligaments

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injury and healing of tendons and ligaments
which conditions are appropriate for physical therapy

- Selection of appropriate therapeutic modality
- Measure response to therapy
- Be familiar with the cause and medical or surgical therapy for conditions of nerves, muscle, skin and hooves
- Response to injury and healing of nerves, muscle, skin and hooves
- Determine which conditions are appropriate for physical therapy
- Selection of appropriate therapeutic modality
- Measure response to therapy
- Design and implement a comprehensive rehabilitation program for commonly occurring musculoskeletal, integumentary and neurologic conditions in the horse
- Correlate the rehabilitation program with the physiologic processes that the patient is undergoing during its rehabilitation
- Discuss reasonable time frames for treatment including when to begin treatment, frequency of treatment, and duration of treatment
- Discuss the need for and the methods of referral and communication between the referring veterinarian and the rehabilitation provider
- Document the rehabilitation programs using standardized forms

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